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FAMILY ILLNESS FORCES IVES CANCELATION

CHARLESTON, IL.--Due to the critical illness of his daughter, Barbara, Burl Ives will not be able to attend homecoming activities at Eastern Illinois University this weekend.

The internationally-known entertainer (EIU Class of 1931) had planned to be the Homecoming Parade Marshal and to sing the National Anthem and Alma Mater during the EIU-Indiana State Football Game on Saturday. He was also to receive a Distinguished Alumnus Award.

University officials hope to arrange a later appearance of Ives on EIU's campus, to receive his award.

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